

# Grant Grove Ranger Programs

## June 22-30, 2014

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Sequoia and Kings Canyon  
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### Sunday, June 22

10:00 AM Back to Basics  
10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
1:30 PM Ranger in the Grove  
1:00 PM Whispers from Big Stump

### Monday, June 23

10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
1:30-3 PM Ranger in the Grove

### Tuesday, June 24

10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk

### Wednesday, June 25

10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
7:30 PM Family Campfire

### Thursday, June 26

10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
2:00 PM Grant Tree Walk

### Friday, June 27

9:30 AM Fridays for Families  
10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
1:00 PM Bird Watching  
2:00&3:00 PM Big Tree Talk  
8:00 PM Evening Program: *A Visit with John Muir*

### Saturday, June 28

10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
2:00&3:00PM Big Tree Talk  
8:00 PM Evening Program:  
*Adaptations of Sierra Mammals*  
9:00 PM Flashlight Hike

### Sunday, June 29

10:00 AM Back to Basics  
10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk  
1:30 PM Ranger in the Grove  
8:00 PM Evening Program:  
*Bears All Around*

### Monday, June 30

8:00 PM Evening Program  
*The Predator Dilemma*

## Program Descriptions

**Back to Basics:** *Wilderness Skills.* Meet at the John Muir Lodge registration desk. Learn valuable backpacking skills for ease and safety in our Wilderness with the help of a Sequoia naturalist. (SFI) 45 minutes

**Big Tree Talk:** Meet a ranger at the base of the General Grant Tree to find out what it takes to be one of the largest trees on earth. (NPS) 20 minutes

**Bird Watching:** Meet at the Kings Canyon Visitor Center to discover the various kinds of birds in the Sierra Nevada. (NPS) ½ mile walk, 1 hour

**Evening Program:** Join a ranger at the Sunset Campground Amphitheater for a talk, slide show, or film about the people, places and things that make Kings Canyon National Park so special. *Come 15 minutes early if turning in a completed Junior Ranger booklet.* (NPS) 1 hour.

**Family Campfire:** Meet at the John Muir Lodge. Meet a Sequoia naturalist for an hour of stories behind the scenes of our National Park. Dress warmly. Feel free to bring fixings for S'Mores. (SFI) 1 hour

**Fridays for Families:** Meet at the John Muir Lodge registration desk. Join a Sequoia Naturalist to learn their tricks for spotting wildlife, how to distinguish conifers of the Sierra Nevada, and gain other insights and skills.

(SFI) 1 hour

**Grant Tree Walk:** This easy walk through the sequoia grove is suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Learn about the giant sequoias and why people have been coming to Grant Grove for centuries. Meet in the Grant Tree parking lot.

(NPS) 1 hour, ½ mile.

**Ranger in the Grove:** How big? How old? What happens in a fire? Look for a ranger or volunteer naturalist along the Grant Tree Trail to have your giant sequoia questions answered. *Informal, ongoing, 1 ½ hours.*

**Whispers from Big Stump:** Join a Ranger on a journey through the Big Stump Basin to learn about a vital and little-known chapter of California history. Meet at the *Kings Canyon Visitor Center* before driving to the trailhead. (NPS) 1 ½ hours, 1 mile, Moderate

NPS-National Park Service Ranger    SFI- Sequoia Field Institute Naturalist, a branch of Sequoia Natural History Association